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ROUND TABLE

WEDNESDAY, August 1, 5:15 PM -- Clubrooms, 1475 Broadway

"WHAT WILL THE WAR DO TO OUR JOBS?"

To discuss the pressing topic of what all-out war will mean to Overseas Press Club Members, a panel of qualified experts will conduct an informal off-the-record "roundtable" next week. What activities will be stepped up? What others curtailed? What is the future for people in the news and allied professions? These questions and proposed answers comprise the agenda for this vital meeting. Refreshments will be available

These Members from varied fields will preside: FRANK KELLEY, national editor, New York Herald Tribune (representing newspapers); WAYNE RICHARDSON, Associated Press (for news agencies); W. W. CHAPLIN, National Broadcasting Company and PAULINE FREDERICK, American Broadcasting Company (for radio networks); PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE, Carl Byoir & Associates, and FARLEY MANNING, Dudley, Anderson and Yutzy (for public relations); and RALPH HARTELL, J. Walter Thompson (for advertising).

REPEAT PERFORMANCE FOR MOVIES

For the benefit of those who were not able, because of the large number of reservations, to attend last week's screening of war movies, a repeat performance will be held on THURSDAY, August 3, at 7 PM, at the Johnny Victor Theater, RCA Exhibition House, 40 West 49th Street.

Representing Warner Pathe News, through whose courtesy some of the films were made available, will be Ned Buddy, foreign editor and newsreel editor for all five newsreels during the war, or Charles Van Bergen, assistant news editor of Pathe and a former combat cameraman in the Pacific.

If you wish to attend, telephone Club Headquarters at once. Only those requesting reservations in advance will be admitted.

CLUB IS INVITED TO FORT DIX

An invitation for Club Members to spend a day inspecting training methods and areas at Fort Dix, N. J., has been extended by Maj. Gen. John M. Devine, Commanding General, 9th Infantry Division. Date set for the excursion is THURSDAY, AUGUST 24. Price, including transportation, two meals and liquid refreshment, is \$3 per person.

Official busses will leave Club Headquarters at 8 AM on August 24 for Fort Dix. There, Members will be welcomed by General Devine and conducted on an extensive tour of this important Army post now devoted entirely to training new recruits. The expedition will return to New York after dinner. PLEASE SEND IN YOUR ACCEPTANCES NOW. RESERVATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 14. TAKE CARE OF THIS NOW TO AVOID POSSIBLE DISAPPOINTMENT!

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: O F F I C I A L :

Meeting of Committee on Permanent OPC Quarters --- Clubrooms --- Tuesday, August 1, 5:45 PM
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: NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS :

ACTIVE: Murray J. Lewis, Carl Byoir & Associates. Pacific war zone, May 1943 to August 1945, as Marine Corps combat correspondent. Proposed by PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE; seconded by REAVIS O'NEAL, JR.

Dorothy Nina Sheridan Russell, Historical Division, Headquarters European Command. London, 1943-1945, Army public information officer; London, Paris, Italy, Belgium, 1945-1947, for United Press; London, Belgium, France, Italy, 1947-February, 1948, as free-lance writer for New York Herald Tribune and International News Service. Germany, February, 1948 to 1949, Stars and Stripes; Germany, 1949 to present, Weekend Magazine. Proposed by JOHN MARTINCO; seconded by M. DOUG WERNER.

Jack L. Begon, National Broadcasting Company and Rome Daily American. Rome, July 1946 to date, as NBC correspondent. Proposed by FRED SPARKS; seconded by W. W. CHAPLIN.

Angus MacLean Thuermer, Chicago Bureau, Associated Press. Berlin, April 1939 to June 1942, for Associated Press. Proposed by LOUIS P. LOCHNER; seconded by LEO BRANHAM.

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Past President FRANK KELLEY has accepted the Co-Chairmanship with PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE of the Membership Committee, replacing HAL BOYLE, resigned, who has been assigned by the AP to active duty as a war correspondent in Korea.

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BOUQUETS FOR A TIMELY JOB: Five Overseas Press Club Members -- DON COE, PETE HUSS, JOHN MOROSO, LARRY LESUEUR and ALLEN RAYMOND -- have been sitting in during recent weeks with Reserve Officers of the 1603rd Army Information Service Unit, now engaged in preparing a proposed revision of the War Correspondents' Field Manual. This revision, undertaken as a training project for Reserve Officers, will be referred to the Department of Defense for adoption or rejection of the proposed changes. They represent the experience of practical newspaper, radio and picture men and are an improvement over the old Manual. Our thanks to the participants in this project!

-- LOUIS P. LOCHNER

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NEWSPAPERS, PRESS SERVICES, NETWORKS FOCUS COVERAGE ON KOREAN WAR

Censorship Remains Correspondents' Bugaboo
As More Than 200 War Reporters
Converge in Pacific Area

With some 200 war correspondents now filing from the Pacific battle zones, main headaches of reporters this week were censorship and communications. First major break in the voluntary censorship blockade occurred accidentally on July 18 when a story on the First Cavalry Division's amphibious operation, written by New York Herald Tribune correspondent Homer Bigart, was inadvertently relayed from Tokyo by an Army public information officer. Bigart, who was one of 22

WAR SHIFTS KEEP MEMBERS ON THE GO

Staff reshuffles, departures for the Far East and Korean War coverage this week meant changes and excitement for Overseas Press Club Members.

Off to bolster the New York Times Pacific bureaus has gone HENRY LIEBERMAN (to Hong Kong); RICHARD JOHNSTON arrived in Tokyo on July 4 and filed his first piece five days later. Another Timesman poised for trouble in his area is ROBERT TRUMBULL in India.

EDMUND A. CHESTER, CBS director of news, left July 23 for a flying trip to European capitals to coordinate news schedules in view of the present world situation. Also, CBS commentator EDWARD R. MURROW arrives in Tokyo this week. He will form part of a four-man team, two members of which will alternate in covering battle action. Other members are BILL DOWNS, BILL COSTELLO and Robert P. Martin.

The National Broadcasting Company has arranged for accreditation of 14 reporters, including WILLIAM F. BROOKS, NBC v-p. it was announced this week.

New AP arrivals in Tokyo this week include HAL BOYLE and DON WHITEHEAD.

correspondents covering the invasion (among them (BILL DOWNS of CBS)), had forwarded two copies of his piece to Tokyo by Navy courier; the duplicate slipped through the PIO. The action inspired some correspondents to request formal censorship to prevent similar incidents in the future.

Speed-up of communications was also urged by war reporters this week. Result was a promise to install a direct telephone connection between 8th Army headquarters in Korea and General MacArthur's PIO in Tokyo. To date all copy has had to go over one wire on which the military has priority.

Quickly imposed and as quickly lifted was an order banning NYHT correspondent Marguerite Higgins from the battle area because the 8th Army commander did not want women "running around the front". As he did in the case of reporters Lambert and Kalischer (see The Bulletin, July 22), MacArthur revoked the ban.

Also last week IRVING PFIAUM, foreign editor, received a commendation from General MacArthur for the policy initiated by the Chicago Sun-Times regarding self-censorship on unofficial war news, relating to troop movements, on the part of its writers. In his message, the General termed official censorship by military sources as "unrealistic" and "ineffective."

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MEMBERS ON THE MARCH: PAUL ELLIOTT-SMITH, former executive veep of Murray Breese associates, has resigned to join General Foods Corporation as a product manager... WILLIAM A. BERNES, ex-NBC press department, is now promotion manager of radio station WJZ (AM & TV)... NBC last week celebrated the 25th anniversary of BEN GROSS as radio-tv editor of the New York Daily News with a luncheon-broadcast in his honor at "21." GROSS was presented a gold type-writer. MARY MARGARET McBRIDE presided over the ceremonies. Another kudos for GROSS: his Collier's piece, "The American Forum of the Air", is reprinted in the August Magazine Digest...

Another of LARRY BLOCHMAN's "Dr. Coffee" stories appeared in the July 15 Collier's under the title, "The Swami of Northbank". Next day NBC aired a trial broadcast of a projected "Dr. Coffee" radio series. And -- a television version of an old BLOCHMAN story, "Solo in Singapore" hit Channel 2 on July 25... The new NBC show, "The Quick and the Dead", supervised by WILLIAM F. BROOKS, v-p in charge of news and international relations, has recently won widespread critical acclaim...

JOHN DALY on July 13 lectured on radio and television before the Communications Arts Section of Fordham University... Following her resignation from the Corning Glass Works Consumer Products Division, DOROTHY FISCHER departed July 21 for four months in Germany, Holland, Austria, France, etc.... WAMBLY BALD has taken a leave of absence from the New York Post to go to Paris... The October Today's Woman (on the stands September 19) will contain an interview by Princess Kropotkin with JEWEL DE BONILLA--all about her shopping newsletter, "Diplomatic Buy-Lines". Recently she was guest of Miss Minerva Bernardino, Minister of the Dominican Republic, at United Nations, where she spoke with other subscribers to the sheet...

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Reporting from Louisville, Ky., ROBERT MAGIDOFF says he will leave shortly for a tour of six Marshall Plan countries in Western Europe, leading a Columbia University World Study Group. On his recent European trip, MAGIDOFF found "The Europeans heartened by the American stand on Korea... As for us, it is my fervent hope that Korea will mean to our military forces what Finland in 1939 meant to Russia: the early defeats exposed weaknesses and forced a far-reaching streamlining of the Red Army. I hope Korea will do the same to our Army, Navy and Intelligence. It must!"

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The BOOK COMMITTEE, through Chairman DICKSON HARTWELL, reports that sufficient material has been submitted for the prizes to make the work of the contest judges most difficult. Names of the winners will be made available to the President at the next meeting of the Board of Governors. Meanwhile, there remains the stupendous task of editing the book and preparing the section introductions and transitions. But this work will go forward as fast as the Committee can manage it. Also, contributions will be accepted until the final script goes to the publisher. Some of the best material has been received within the past two weeks and the Committee welcomes more good stories -- up to the last minute.

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Capsule reviews of new books recently received by the OPC Library: "German Faces" by ANN STRINGER and HENRY RIES (William Sloane Associates - \$3). The people of Germany today, presented in telling interviews and photographs by an OPC husband-and-wife team..."Behind Closed Doors: The Secret History of the Cold War" by Rear Admiral Ellis M. Zacharias, in collaboration with Ladislas Farago (G. P. Putnam's Sons, \$3.75). A leading intelligence expert tells the inside story of the cold war, revealing hitherto unpublished data..."Here's England" by Ruth McKenney and Richard Bransten (Harper's, \$3.75). A highly informal but also highly informing and quite comprehensive guide for visits to England..."Flower of Cities: A Book of London" (Harper's, \$4). Studies and sketches about London by 22 authors, handsomely illustrated with color plates and drawings...Also noted as new additions to the OPC Bookshelf: "The Moonstone" by Wilkie Collins, "Sin Street" by Dorine Manners, and "Terror in Times Square" by Alan Handley, all three published by the Almat Publishing Company..."Wintertime", Jan Valtin's latest novel (Rinehart & Co.), donated by DOROTHY FISCHER..."San Gennaro Never Says No", an E. P. Dutton release written by Giuseppe Marotta, and "Assignment to Austerity" by HERBERT MATTHEWS of the New York Times and Mrs. Nancie Matthews (Bobbs-Merrill)...Add Capsule Reviews: "Treason's Peace: German Dyes and American Dupes" by Howard Watson Ambruster (Beechhurst Press, \$3.75). A study of the influence of the German dye trust before and during two World Wars..."The World's Best" edited by WHIT BURNETT (Dial Press, \$5). A generous anthology of the writings which 105 of the world's chief living authors, chosen by ballot, have selected as their most representative work..."This is Germany" edited by ARTHUR SETTEL, introduction by General Lucius D. Clay (William Sloane Associates, \$4). Twenty-one top correspondents, including OPC Members JOHN ANSPACHER and LANDRUM BOLLING, discuss the aspects of post-war Germany in which each is a specialist..."1984" by George Orwell (New American Library, 25¢). A brilliant novel of a nightmare, future society..."Arch of Triumph" by Erich Maria Remarque (New American Library, 35¢). A stormy love story set against a well-realized background of life in Paris...

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 TO HONOR NEWSMEN KILLED IN CRASH;
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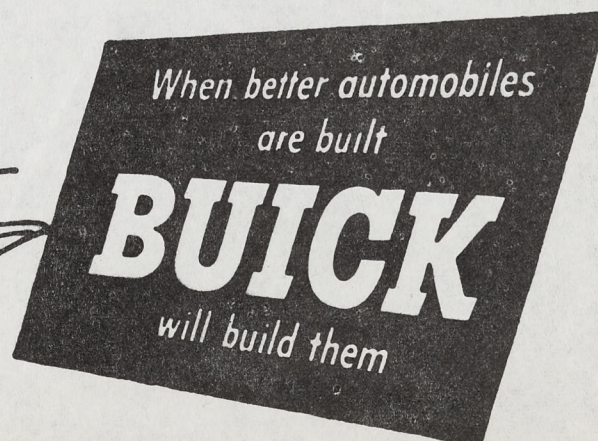
Establishment of an annual William the Silent Award for Journalism (named for a prominent Dutch patriot) has been announced by the Netherlands Government to honor the 14 American reporters who died a year ago in an air crash on a return flight from Indonesia. The first award, to consist of a gold medal and \$2,500 in cash, will be presented at a Waldorf Astoria dinner on October 5 to the American writer of the best article or series of articles which appeared in an American newspaper or magazine in 1949 on a subject tending to promote better understanding of Netherlands' problems and way of life. Deadline for the contest is September 1; announcement of the winner will be made September 28.

Those wishing to participate should send copies of the publication in which their articles appeared to Albert Balink, Editor, Knickerbocker Magazine, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York. The following will judge the entries: Radford E. Mobley, president, National Press Club; Thomas L. Stokes, president, Gridiron Club; Peter Edson, president, Overseas Writers; and Esther Van Wagoner Tufty, Washington representative of Knickerbocker Magazine.

The award, it was announced, will be given this year and for four more consecutive years, for which \$12,500 has already been deposited in New York.

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VICTOR W. KNAUTH's newspaper-style radio station, WAVZ in New Haven, has been the subject of two praiseful columns by the New York Herald Tribune's radio columnist, John Crosby...Just back by PanAm stratocruiser from a Geneva conference with his "customers" is ARTHUR FLETCHER, chief of the overseas desk at the UN. His wife, Vivian, formerly a radio writer, made her short-story debut in July's Charm with "Girl with a Hex"...

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LENGYEL TO DELIVER ADDRESS
BEFORE ISRAELI JOURNALISTS
ABOUT OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB

On August 6, EMIL LENGYEL, author and newspaperman, will deliver an address before the Association of Israeli Journalists in Israel about the activities and work of the Overseas Press Club of America. The Israeli newsmen invited LENGYEL to speak, requesting he give them full details on the OPC's lectures, lunches, television show, Bulletin, books, receptions, etc. It will be the first time that Israel will hear a full-fledged lecture about the OPC. A report of the talk will appear in a forthcoming issue of The Bulletin.

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Mr. and Mrs. FRANK W. TAYLOR will shortly take off from his Green Bay, Wis., home for a lengthy trip...SAMUEL CHOTZINOFF, general music director of the National Broadcasting Company for radio and television, left July 25 aboard the New Amsterdam for Europe. He will visit Arturo Toscanini and his family in Italy...

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Participation of an increasing number of OPCers in covering the Korean War has created a new responsibility for the Club and The Bulletin. For Members in the war zone will want news of their colleagues in the area, as well as of Club activities in New York. And Stateside correspondents, too, want up-to-date accurate news of Members recently assigned to the Far East. For that reason, will you please advise The Bulletin of any departures of Members, receipt of letters from friends in Korea and news of special reportorial achievements? Only through the cooperation of all Members can The Bulletin function efficiently as the far-reaching arm of the Overseas Press Club and thereby perform a needed service to its war correspondent Members. -- The Editor
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RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Editor